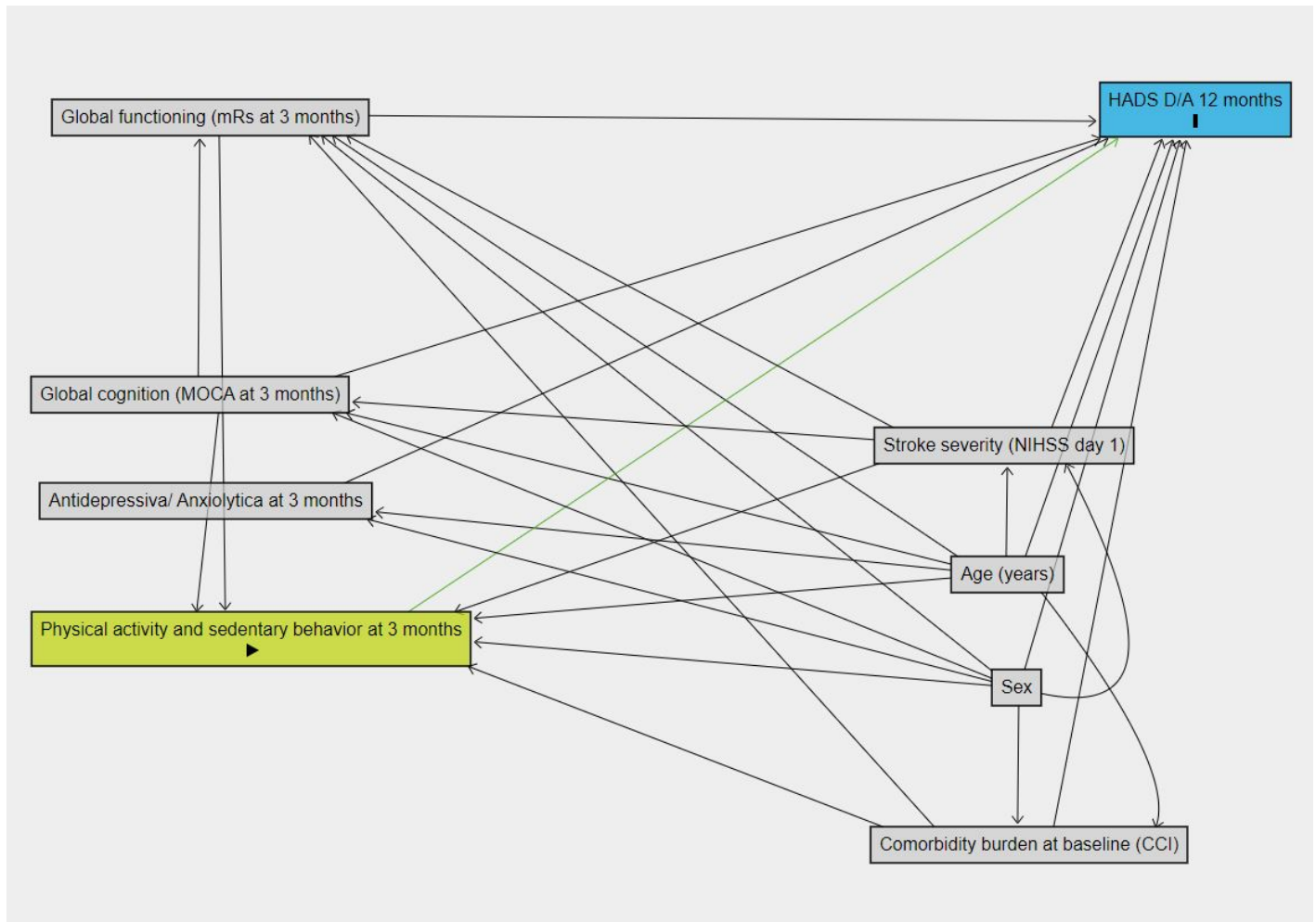


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Fig. S1. *Direct acyclic graph showing the assumed causal paths in the analyses.*



HADS: Hospital Anxiety and Depression scale; NIHSS: National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale; MoCA: Montreal Cognitive Assessment; mRS: Modified Rankin Scale.